



March 12, 1999

Richard Ortiz
Superintendent
Bureau of Indian Affairs
1555 Shoshone Circle
Elko, NV 89801

Re: Request for monies for Ground Water Monitoring Wells in BIA Old Roads Shop Area
(After BIA Clean-up of the site)

Dear Mr. Ortiz:

The Shoshone-Paiute Tribes would like to request funds for the installation of ground water monitoring wells for the area around the proposed BIA Clean-up of the Old BIA Roads Shop. We feel that further monitoring of the site is necessary. Further monitoring of the site is needed as the contamination plume is not defined and the monitoring wells would help do so. There is an additional concern about site monitoring for groundwater after the contaminated soils have been removed. We feel that the Bureau should have a longer monitoring period on the site to determine the effectiveness of the soils removed and to confirm that hydrocarbons no longer threaten the groundwater. Please contact our Environmental Director, Lee Roberts, if you have any further questions.
(775) 757-3211.

Sincerely,


James Paiva
Chairman
Shoshone-Paiute Tribes

cc: Alisa Wong, US-EPA
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